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Senegal (on behalf of the African Group): draft resolution

18/... Advisory services and technical assistance for Burundi

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and international human rights treaties,

Reaffirming that all Member States have an obligation to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms, as stated in the Charter, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenants on Human Rights and other applicable human rights instruments,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 60/251 of 15 March 2006,

1. *Commends* the efforts of the Government of Burundi to promote and protect human rights;

2. *Reaffirms* Human Rights Council resolution 9/19 of 24 September 2008, by which the Council extended the mandate of the independent expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi until the establishment of an independent national human rights commission;

3. *Welcomes* in this regard the adoption of Law 1/04 of 5 January 2011 creating an independent national human rights commission, and the effective establishment of a human rights institution on 23 May 2011;

4. *Takes note* of the holding during its seventeenth session of an interactive dialogue on the report of the independent expert and of his presentation, during which he acknowledged the establishment of the independent national human rights commission, satisfying therefore the requirements of paragraph 8 of resolution 9/19;

5. *Considers* therefore the mandate of the independent expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi terminated.

